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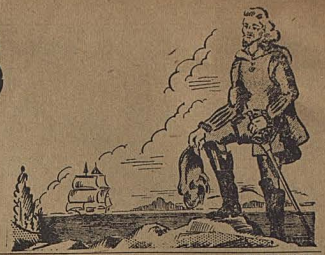
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## LaSalle Council Meet

The regular LaSalle council meeting took place Monday evening, July 6th, at the townhall. All members were present.

The council was unable to reach a decision as to whether permits should be granted to build garages for temporary living quarters. It was suggested that the applicant be bonded for \$500, which is the procedure followed in Riverside. This will be made within a week's time.

Mr. R. Goulet has continued to build his garage, and feels he will be completed within a week. Since the last council meeting, a fifth applicant has been received.

Dr. A. Jung, owner of the land between Front Road and George Avenue, and between Delaware Avenue and Westminster Blvd., is subdividing this land into 60 foot lots. The proposed plan showed three lots facing Front Road and the rest facing Delaware and Westminster, with a T-shaped 15 foot alley. Dr. Jung's only objection to this was that the open end of the alley would be in front of Sacred Heart Church. The utilities have to have access to the rear of these lots for the installation of poles, and therefore, require an alley. The only alternative would be to procure an easement from each property holder, but this is not always too successful.

Dr. Jung, as the sub-divider, would have to install a watermain part way on Delaware and on George Avenue. The council will seek the solicitor's advice regarding this installation.

Dr. Jung offered \$4000. for the purchase of 33.45 acres of land on Victoria between Malden and Matchette roads. The council did not reach a decision on the price. As this land is already sub-divided, the question arose as to whom was responsible for installing the watermain.

A by-law was passed authorizing the application to the County Court Judge to close the easterly 105 feet of the alley running easterly from George St. and lying between Lafferty on the north and Gladstone on the south, and which has never been used as an alley, and to open as alternative exits and entrances to Lafferty Street and Gladstone Avenue the easterly half of Lot 676, and the easterly half of Lot 38.

Mr. Ed Lovell, Weed Inspector, stated that the weed cutting equipment on hand had been repaired, and was now in use.

Approval to pay Mr. Jack Wells, building inspector, will still be delayed and the council will notify him shortly of their decision.

## Can You Help?

Volunteers are still needed to assist with the building of the Bob Churchill house, Reaume Road, LaSalle, whose former house was destroyed by fire.

The construction is progressing, but your help would be appreciated any evening at 6:30 and all day Saturdays and Sundays.

## Trailer Ban Delayed In Sandwich W.

Permanent trailer residences are staying in the commercial parks of Sandwich West, in contravention of a township by-law. Approximately 80 trailer homes are involved.

This new by-law which bans all permanent trailer homes, was to become effective June 1, but was extended to June 30th.

It is rumored that Mr. E. P. Taylor, of Toronto, has purchased 68 acres, including the trailer camp sites. It is also rumored that the Dominion Store chain, of which Taylor is chairman of the executive board, will build a warehouse and community shopping centre on the South Windsor Site.

Reeve Lawrence Brunet said that the township has, for the moment, decided not to take any action until some information on the intentions of Mr. Taylor are received.

The three camps involved are Baby Park, operated by Tom McGee; the Jasey layout; and Douglall Road Trailer Park, operated by Alfred Clift.

Mr. McGee stated that if the township should decide to enforce its by-law, the operators would most likely take it to the courts in a test case. He said the main issue is the fact that the township has no power to tax trailer dwellers for education purposes.

## C. of C. Elect Officers And Directors

A very successful meeting was held by the re-organized LaSalle Chamber of Commerce in the private dining room of the Sunnyside Hotel on Monday, July 6th.

A slate of officers and directors were appointed for a one-year term as follows; President Mr. Frank Carlino, secretary Mrs. Effie Kudman, treasurer Mrs. Ruth Cornett, directors D. Wollison, G. Carlino, R. Russell, B. Eyon, P. Laframboise, J. Cornett, R. Churchill and W. Munro.

Mrs. Effie Kudman read the minutes of the last meeting which was held in the townhall, and Mrs. Ruth Cornett gave the treasurer's report.

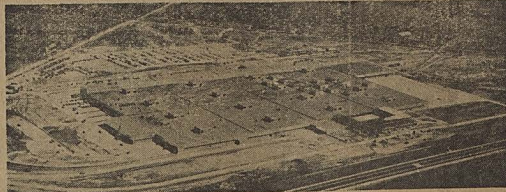
Several committees were formed to institute planning on the much needed local improvement projects, which will be undertaken by the new organization.

Mr. Don Brown, M.P., local representative in the House of Commons, addressed the group and pledged his support to the organization, stating that by uniting and trying, much good could be accomplished for the community of LaSalle.

The membership committee was rewarded for their efforts by a very large turnout at this meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place in the Sunnyside Hotel's private dining room on Monday, July 27th.

## Ford's New Assembly Plant at Oakville



THE FIRST CAR has been turned out by this new Ford of Canada 224-acre assembly plant at Oakville, Ont. The largest industrial building under one roof in Canada, the plant moved into production only one year after the first steel girder was erected. The new building places Ford of Canada assembly operations in the heart of the Canadian market.

## Deadly Spray



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## Trip To Belle Isle For Children

The participants of a recent pet show at Sacred Heart School were rewarded by Mrs. Alma Brodeur, of Alma's Jewellery Store, with a pleasant trip to Belle Isle on Tuesday afternoon June 30th.

There were 14 children in all in the two cars driven by Mrs. Leo Lajeunesse and Mrs. Brodeur. Upon their arrival on Belle Isle, Mrs. Brodeur's car had a flat tire. She immediately contacted the A.A.A. which is associated with the Essex County Auto Club, and of which she is a member. Despite the fierceness of the storm, a smiling A.A.A. representative changed the tire while Mrs. Brodeur waited in the car.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Lajeunesse and the children toured the Aquarium Building, unaware of the storm raging outside, and of Mrs. Brodeur's predicament of waiting alone.

When the tire had been changed, Mrs. Brodeur joined the others and they continued their tour of the island together. Needless to say, the children enjoyed every moment and consumed an extravagant amount of hot dogs, pop, potato chips, etc. Their exciting afternoon was completed upon their arrival home at 6:30 p.m.

## A Thank You

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. James wish to thank the residents of LaSalle for their former patronage of "Jimmies" Imperial Esso Service Station, corner of Reaume and Front Road, LaSalle.

Mrs. and Mrs. James will re-

## LaSalle Softball News

Bart Evon's team is still in the lead of the Softball League, with Sunnyside Hotel and Community Market tied for second place.

On Friday, July 3rd, Sunnyside Hotel was victorious over Community Market, 6-2. Sunnyside Hotel had 8 hits, with Bill Moffat as pitcher, and Mr. Tuck Sparring catcher. Community Market had 7 hits, with Len Perint as pitcher, and Al Sebastian, catcher.

Community Market defeated LaSalle Oil, 7-4, on Monday July 6th. Community had 9 hits, with Len Sampson pitcher, Al Sebastian, catcher. LaSalle Oil had 4 hits, with Wally Komano as pitcher, Paul Dufour, catcher.

## Summer Bowling League

Team No. 6 has now taken top place in the LaSalle Summer Bowling League with 15 points. Members of the team are Clare O'Gorman, captain; M. Cooper, C. Wagle, J. Bougner, M. McEaul, and Peggy Evans. Teams No. 3 and 1 are close behind, both with 14 points. Team No. 4 has 9 points, No. 5 has 5 points, and No. 2 has 3 points.

side in Windsor and will continue with their Inverval Esso Service Station, corner of Giles and Gladstone, Windsor.

Mr. Alf Robinson is the present owner of their former station.

## St Andrew's Hold Annual Picnic

The annual congregation and Sunday school Picnic of St. Andrew's Memorial Church, LaSalle, took place Sunday afternoon, July 5th, at Prince Road Park, Windsor.

Lunch was served at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. G. D. Vogan, pastor, saying grace.

The children enjoyed ice cream donated by Mr. R. Anderson, and "cokes", donated by the Coca Cola Company. There were such amusements as softball, swimming and a peanut scramble.

## Races were held and winners are as follows:

Girls under 5: 1st, Marilyn Drouillard, 2nd, Karen Hamilton; Boys under 5: 1st, Jimmy Dufour; 2nd, (tie), David Med, call and John Medcall; Girls 5 and 6: 1st, (tie), Barbara Clarke and Dianne Smith; 2nd, Kathy Allen; Boys 5 and 6: 1st, David Humtley; 2nd, Robbie Causton; Girls 7 and 8, 1st, Judy Phillips, 2nd, Gladys Belcher, 3rd, Beverly Parks; Boys 7 and 8: 1st, Tommie Jones, 2nd, Jackie Jenking; Girls 9 and 10: 1st, Judy Gromdin; 2nd, Miss Gibb; 3rd, Lorraine James; Boys 7 and 10: 1st, P. E. Endo, 2nd, Paul Wester, 3rd, Eric A. Anderson; Girls 11 and 12: Mary Beth Jenking; Boys 11 and 12: Jack Webster; 11 and 12: Race: 1st, Mary Beth Jenking and Ruth Ann Jenking; second, Helen Singer and Barbara Humtley; Woman's Shoe Kicking Race, first, Mrs. B. Howatson, second Mrs. I. Causton; third, Mrs. E. Liffiton; Ball throw: first, Mr. Frank Allen, second, Mr. I. Causton, third, Mr. E. Liffiton; Husbands and Wife Wheel Barrow Race: 1st Rev. and Mrs. G. Vogan, 2nd, Mr. and Mrs. E. Liffiton, 3rd, Mr. and Mrs. I. Causton.

This was a most successful picnic and the adults as well as the children, thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Mrs. Alma Brodeur of Alma's Jewellery Store, left early Monday morning, July 6th, for a 10-day vacation to Ste. Anne de Beaurpre, Quebec, and Mass., to visit with friends and relatives. She was accompanied as far as Cap de La Madeleine, Quebec, by Miss Barga Jung, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jung, LaSalle. Miss Barga Jung, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jung, LaSalle, left early Monday morning to spend her summer vacation with a French family in Cap de La Madeleine, Quebec.

Berga's teachers at Sacred Heart School suggested this visit in order for her to continue the French language as she had done so well in school, and this would benefit her greatly during the summer. She will return for school in the fall.

## Building On The Increase in LaSalle

For the month of June, there were permits issued for construction worth \$110,100.

In the first six months of the year, there were 57 permits issued. Of these, 37 were for residences, 15 for garages and alterations, and 5 for commercial buildings.

The value of buildings undertaken in the six-month period is \$326,400. In the first half of last year, permits were taken out for only \$62,000 worth of construction, and in 1951 the comparative figure was \$69,000. This shows a great increase in the building activity in the town.

## Merchandise Stolen From Hotel

On Friday, June 26th, at 2 a.m., it was noticed that two cartons were missing from Alma's Jewellery counter in the lobby at Sunnyside Hotel.

Just prior to this, Mr. George Carlino, manager of the Sunnyside Hotel, had become suspicious of six young men who had made a quick exit from the hotel, and so, took the licence number of their car. Minutes later, the theft was noticed. The LaSalle police were notified immediately, and working with the Windsor Police, the six young men were detained and interviewed. However, they denied all knowledge of the theft. Because the goods were not located, it was impossible to lay a charge.

The estimate loss is valued at \$200.

## DEATHS

MELOCHE - Germaine, 37, 37 years, passed away June 28, 1953. Late of LaSalle. Beloved wife of Steve. Dear Janette, Betty Jane, Linda, Robert, Barbara, Leslie and Virginia, all at home. Daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Morencie of LaSalle.

HIDGEON - Adolphus, 88 years, June 27, 1953. Late of Queen street, Sandwich West. Dear father of Archie and Clifford of Detroit; Mrs. Walter Heidt of Walled Lake, Michigan.

## A Tornado's Path of Destruction



MAIN STREET in Hebron, Neb., presents a picture of devastation as damaged buildings and scattered debris litter the tornado-swept street after a roaring bluster cut a path through the tiny town. An estimated two-thirds of the homes and business places in the town were either damaged or destroyed, and scores of the 2000 inhabitants injured.

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## BIG THREE

conference in Bermuda, now postponed because of Prime Minister Churchill's illness, promises fruitful opportunity to explore problems which threaten to disturb, Anglo-American relations. Most serious issue by far is divergence of British and American policy in Far East.

G. E. Hudson, of The Economist, writing in current issue of American quarterly Foreign Affairs, offers timely comment on British reluctance to see any extension of Korean war by direct action against Communist China. "British Foreign policy and strategy," writes Mr. Hudson, "are ultimately based on a scale of priorities which sets Europe and the Mediterranean first, the Middle East and the Indian Ocean second, and the Far East by a long way third."

If in a time of crisis certain interests have to be thrown overboard to lighten the load, those which are located near Singapore must be the first for sacrifice, and those from Suez eastward must be next; but the needs of security in Europe can never be sacrificed because the very existence of Britain as a nation depends on it. The American scale of priorities is necessarily different.

Greatest menace to free world is efforts which Soviet Union may make to exploit traditional divergence of British and American foreign policy in Far East. Few will quarrel with Mr. Hudson's conclusion that "If in the present political moods of Britain and the United States, Russian diplomacy concentrates on the expo-

sive issue of the seating in Communist China in the United Nations, it will have a chance to wreck the whole structure of alliances laboriously built up for the security of the free world since 1947."

## INTERESTING COMMENT

party's latest policy statement, which indulges in a tirade on private versus public ownership of radio and TV comes from authoritative left-wing British periodical, The New Statesman and Nation. Discussing current proposals to authorize sponsored TV programmes, The New Statesman and Nation admits, in effect, that the stimulus of competition might be good for the BBC. "The BBC" it says, "is far from perfect; in sound radio the challenge of radio Luxembourg has had a powerfully stimulating effect on it. A similar challenge now might possibly be a salutary stimulant to TV."

## REUTERS

despatch from Canterbury reports theft of 250 pound life-size statue of Mercurius from restaurant owned by Red Dean Dr. Hewlett Johnson. This is first imitation that Red Dean of Canterbury dabbles in private enterprises as well as being a staunch supporter of the Soviet Union.

## WITHDRAWAL

of government from business and industrial fields goes on apace

in the United States. House of Representatives in Washington has already approved bill authorizing sale to private industry of federal artificial rubber plant.

Interesting aspect of Uncle Sam's "de-nationalization" policy is that it appears to have unqualified support of the American people. Conviction is widespread in United States that proper function of the government is to govern, not to finance and operate large-scale industrial and business enterprises.

Political parties in Canada, meanwhile, maintain conspiracy of silence regarding role of government in industry. Polymer plant at Sarnia gives Ottawa monopoly in synthetic rubber, transcontinental airlines remain federal monopoly, Ottawa is in printing business in big way, in film business, in radio and television business and host of other enterprises.

Federal election campaign would be greatly enlivened, with undoubted benefit to Canadian people, were some aspirant for the House of Commons to propose sale of these enterprises, starting with the CBC.

## WHAT

happens when government starts tinkering with a nation's agricultural economy is nowhere better illustrated than in Washington, where the Eisenhower Administration is wondering what to do with the huge \$5 billion surplus of farm products accumulated under the agricultural price support system inaugurated by their predecessors in office.

American farmers are fearful that Washington may resort to acreage control, telling them what they may grow and how much, in order to halt the mounting surplus. Canadian farmers are afraid that import restrictions will be tightened on farm products from this country normally marketed in the United States. Butter and cheese import quotas have been reduced. Countries where food is scarce but which lack dollars are eyeing Uncle Sam's bulging grainaries and warehouses with envy and distrust. American taxpayers are groaning under the burden of taxation necessary to finance the huge government purchases of agricultural products.

Wonder of it is that mess in American agricultural has not been sufficient to warn Progressive Conservative leader George Drew against the folly of further tampering with farming economy of Canada. Yet Mr. Drew, oblivious to what is happening south of the border, goes merrily on his way with loose and grandiloquent talk about setting up a national agricultural board, directed by leading farmers, for the purpose of "establishing farm prices on a fair and sound basis."

## ORGANIZED LABOUR'S

demands for ever-shorter working week are seriously hampering farmers, according to Dairy Farmers of Canada president Gilbert Macmillan. "Short working hours in industry," says Mr. Macmillan "are driving away rural populations and handicapping farm operations. . . It is impossible to expect those engaged in agriculture to be content with a 55 to 65-hour working week when the great majority of other workers enjoy a 40-hour week." Plight of the farmers today is nothing alongside what it will be if organized labor succeeds in demands for guaranteed annual wage and 30-hour week. Lacking guaranteed annual weather, farmers are in no position to make commitments such as those involved in guaranteed annual wage proposal. Nor can cattle and crops be expected to violate laws of nature and dispense with necessity for attention in off-hours or over labour's long weekend.

Factis, as many farmers already realize, that not only is their livelihood being placed in jeopardy by organized labor's unreasonable and selfish demands, but very ownership of farmers' home is threatened.

## SOCIALISM

comes in for big boost in July issue of Current Affairs, official publication of Department of National Defence. Entitled "Sweden—A Scandinavian Democracy," written by Professor Ansten Antensen of the University of Saskatchewan, article emphasizes "co-existence of free enterprise and public ownership" and refers with obvious approbation to Sweden's "ambitious program of social legislation," providing "old age pensions, widow's pensions, and invalid's pensions, health insurance, accident insurance, unemployment insurance, as well as other forms of social security." Discussion questions set forth on last page of Current Affairs clearly indicates purpose of article in propaganda for the socialist concept of the Welfare State. First question, for example, asks: "How far has Sweden's social democracy been a contributing factor in the country's advanced economy?" Canadian taxpayers, vast majority of whom are not socialists, will properly resent use of public funds to promote under guise of information, what is clearly political propaganda.

## GUARANTEED

annual wage has popped up in BC, where International Woodworkers union boss in that province has indicated intention of making GAW major issue when next contract comes up for renegotiation early in 1954.

What BC International Woodworkers will seek in guaranteed annual wage is special privilege proposition greater than that enjoyed by any other group in the country, regardless of occupation. Fact that such a demand, if granted, will drastically limit employment opportunities, curtail output and cause prices to rise is seemingly of no concern to union leadership.

Fact is that BC, already feeling the pinch in industries where high wages have price province's products out of world markets, will have its economy further impaired as GAW scheme goes into high gear. Work or no work, organized labour in BC is out to exact from employers a year's pay.

Latest gimmick devised by GAW-conscious labor is guaranteed weekly wage, effect of which will be to prevent short lay-offs with the employer footing the bill for idle workers on the payroll. Idea behind guaranteed weekly wage is to establish seemingly plausible precedent for guaranteed annual wage, proponents of the scheme being quite indifferent to fact that employers forced to pay wages to idle workers do not enjoy guaranteed weekly market, or guaranteed annual market.

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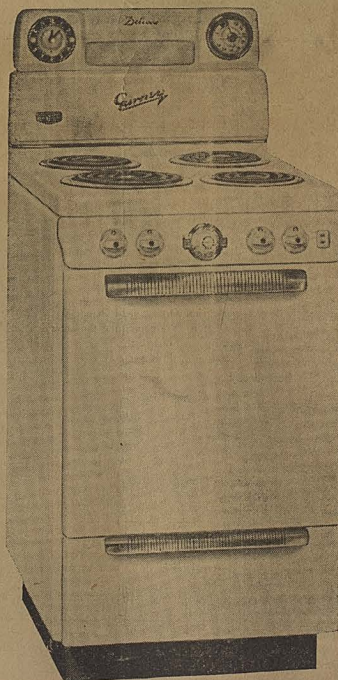
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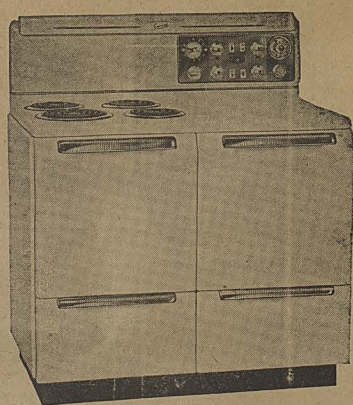
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## Girl of the Hour



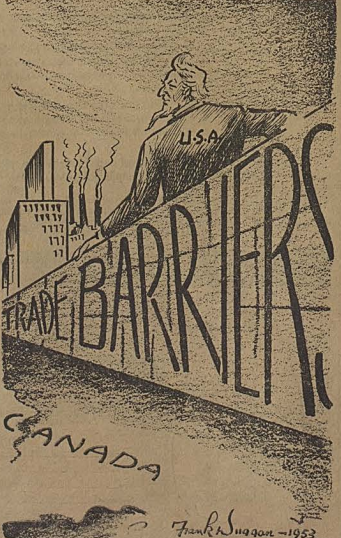
MARLENE STEWART, Fonthill, Ont., golfer made history today when she became the first Canadian to win the British Women's Golf championship. Miss Stewart beat Philomena Garvey of Ireland seven and six in today's 36-hole final.

## Jolter From Juniper, N.B.



Gerard (Moos) Flemming, 21-year-old son of the Premier of New Brunswick, reports to Manager Fred Hutchinson (right), for a tryout with the Detroit Tigers. Tiger officials were enthusiastic about his chances to make the grade. Hutchinson says the boy "has a good arm and can run and hit the ball." Flemming, who hails from Juniper, N.B., has been sought after by many major league teams. He is expected to sign with the Tigers and may be sent to one of their chain teams for seasoning.

## What Happened To That Invisible Border?



## EDITORIAL

## REPORTS FROM WINDSOR

Ontario, indicate how militant unionism can drive established industries away, prevent new ones from entering. DeVilbiss Co., manufacturers of spraying equipment, announce they will move their 125-man plant to Harrie, Parker Davis Company, big drug manufacturer, will move its Canadian operation to Brockville. Ford Company assembly plant transferred to Oakville, is now in operation.

Various reasons are given for these moves but real reason, as Ford officials intimated when Oakville shift was announced, is domination of Windsor's social, political and economic life by one where management has lost its right to manage. Typical of irresponsible unions. City has gained unenviable reputation as situation there is recent complaint of Windsor trucking firms that the union agreements "are not worth the paper they are written on."

## FEDERAL ELECTION

campaign to date reveals no issue of major importance other than question of whether taxes can or cannot be reduced. Real issue, seen in its proper perspective, which no political party appears ready to face, is whether electors and taxpayers of Canada are prepared to forego some of so-called government services which politicians wrongly imagine are demanded.

Fact is that both expenditure and taxes can and must be substantially reduced if progress and prosperity of the Canadian people is not to be irreparably damaged. Frankness with the public on this point would enhance prestige of both major political parties.

## SHORTAGE OF NURSES

Has brought suggestion from Dr. Harvey Agnew, Toronto hospital authority that they should be placed under government control to ensure the best use of their services. Dr. Agnew says: "Not every girl wants to go into nursing. With five-day weeks, and more and more insured people convinced the world owes them a semi-annual rest in a nice hospital bed, the situation a decade hence will be absolutely impossible if we do not face it squarely."

Trouble with this suggestion is that it would make the shortage of nurses even worse. Young women would not be eager to enter a profession in which, on graduation, they would have to work wherever the government told them to work. Any government that conscripted graduate nurses would soon have to conscript student nurses. Real solution lies in keeping people out of hospitals who, as Dr. Agnew says, have simply gone there for a rest.

## PLAYING

down recurrent budgetary surpluses is favorite activity of official Ottawa. People are constantly being told that federal surplus do not mean that they are being overtaxed. Uncomfortable suspicion still persists, however, that budgetary surpluses do imply over-taxation. Fact that Finance Minister Abbott has just announced that Government ended fiscal year March 31 last with surplus of \$24 million, instead of \$9 million forecast in 1952 budget speech, and that surplus for present fiscal year to date is more than \$200 million, is not reassuring.

Mr. Abbott says present surplus will be practically wiped out before the end of present fiscal year. Truth is that Finance Minister has said same thing before, but has always ended up with more tax money in the till at Ottawa than he predicted. Sensible thing would be for Mr. Abbott to give taxpayers the benefit of the doubt and reduce taxes to the point where revenues would equal only actual expenses of government.

## NEEDLESSLY

high cost of education comes in for timely blast from McGill librarian Dr. Richard Pennington. "Our schools," says Dr. Pennington, "are combining the entertainment of the night club with the attractions of the cinema, the facilities of the country athletic club with the supervision of the day nursery. A hard bench and a can would be more economical and more efficient."

Essence of Dr. Pennington's remarks is that elaborate school buildings and a fanciful curriculum aimed at "trying to give a cultural training to people who need a technical one, and even trying to educate people who are not in fact educable," is a waste of the taxpayers' money. "Only the political fanatic," says Dr. Pennington, "would claim that all the people are alike and that all would benefit equally from the same kind of education." Tragedy is that cultural plan drafted by the Massey Commission reveals the very sort of "political fanaticism" which Dr. Pennington properly deprecates.

## DBS

reports that Canadians spent \$741 million on liquor in fiscal year ending March 31, 1952; an increase of \$49 million over the preceding fiscal year. Increase was wholly accounted for by beer, with consumption of wine and spirits declining. Federal government collected \$82 million in taxes on spirits; \$8 million in taxes on beer; \$29 million in taxes on wine.

Interesting comment on these figures is made by Mr. Patrick Nicholson, Ottawa correspondent of Thomson newspapers, who takes them to mean that the average Canadian family spent \$81 on liquor during the year; the average Canadian adult \$20. Roughly half of this went to federal and provincial governments in the form tax revenue.

Advocates of public ownership may note that a case of Scotch whisky, costing an average of \$1208 at the distillery, is sold to Canadian consumers at an average price of \$63.

Foolish liquor laws are costing Canadian taxpayers a lot of money. Example in Ontario, which this year will have a prison bill of \$11 million (against \$1.6 million in 1943) and a prison population representing one in every 113 of the province's population. Vast majority of these commitments, according to the Attorney-General's Department, are for liquor offenses.

## Norwegian Princess to Marry



Princess Ragnhild of Norway sits beside her fiancé, Erling Lorentzen, the commoner she will marry on Friday at the tiny Asker village church near Oslo. Lorentzen is the son of a shipbuilding family.

Two New Streets For  
Sandwich West

For the first time in over 25 years, two new streets, Alexandra and Dandurand, are being constructed in the Academy Garden section of Sandwich West Township, by Morris construction.

These streets are being constructed of asphalt. They are 23 feet wide and approximately 2,500 feet long. Alexandra starts near Grand Marais road and ends about 40 yards from St. Mary's Academy. These streets will be completed at an estimate cost of \$100,000.

A total of 38 homes are nearing completion on Alexandra, while construction on Dandurand began recently.

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## CIVIL SERVICE FEDERATION'S

demand for a general salary boost suggests nice sense of timing on the part of federal employees not unaware of political significance of civil service vote. Fact is that salary scales in federal civil service already compare favourably with those in private business and demand for further increase at this time rests on no sound basis.

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## Why Election Date Set For August 10th.

Why did Prime Minister St. Laurent choose August 10 as the date for the next federal election?

Conservative leader George Drew has accused him of going into "a panic over the frequency with which new evidence of folly and extravagance comes to light, and of willfully flinching from large numbers of vacationing voters."

Other opposition candidates have criticized the date, apparently trying to make it an issue in the campaign.

Mr. St. Laurent gave a carefully worded and documented reason for his decision at the press conference which he held on the day the date was announced.

The answer to Mr. Drew's accusation is that no other date could have been chosen by the government without depriving many people of their right to vote.

The rigid timetable laid down in the Canada Elections Act precluded any other date—including Aug. 17—unless the government was willing to hold a campaign during the coronation festivities or next winter.

Here's how the Election Act schedule made Aug. 10 the only possible date this year:

Mr. St. Laurent wanted to assure as wide and fair an enumeration as possible and to give all adult Canadians full opportunity to be on the voter's list. This meant taking the enumeration in some months other than July and August, when many people are away from their homes.

Section 17 of the Elections Act requires that enumeration begin on the 49th day before election day. If August 17 has been chosen, enumerators would have started work on Monday June 29th. They would have been interrupted by the Dominion Day national holiday and their work would have carried over into July (the enumeration takes six weeks).

That ruled out August 17. The coronation, and Mr. St. Laurent's determination not to inflict a political campaign on the country during its activities precluded any date earlier than August 10th.

What about the Fall? The government did consider an Autumn election date with enumeration starting in September. But this year the first Monday in that month—Sept. 7—is the Labour Day holiday, and enumeration could not commence until Monday, September 14.

This would have put the election date off another 49 days to early November, a bad month for Canadian elections. In northern areas, summer roads are frequently clogged with snow and winter roads aren't open. Political campaigning is virtually impossible and it is difficult to get a fair turnout at the polls.

So Mr. Laurent had no practical alternative to Aug. 10. He told reporters that he hoped everyone—candidates and voters alike—would accept these facts without resentment. Personally, he said, he too would rather enjoy the summer holidays than get into a political campaign.

As for charges that people would be disenfranchised in August, Mr. St. Laurent said the record of previous summer elections in this country had shown no falling-off in the vote. No matter what date was chosen, however, there were "always some people away."

The date chosen, he added, would be least assure a full and fair enumeration of voters at a time in June (beginning the 22) when most Canadians would still be at home. It would make the best of a bad situation, reducing to a minimum the number of people who won't be able to vote.

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